

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 494
By Crutchfield

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Philip Albert Barfield on becoming an Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, at a time when the youth of our nation face tremendous challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our nation's greatest assets, providing young people, ages six to twenty, with an educational program geared toward character development, citizenship training and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, the highest achievement a Boy Scout can attain is the rank of Eagle Scout and Philip Albert Barfield, after considerable preparation and hard work, joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor on January 19, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the son of proud parents, William and Susan Barfield, Philip is a student at Boyd Buchanan High School, where he has excelled both academically and in athletics; and

WHEREAS, Philip is a valued member of the Varsity Wrestling Team and the Varsity Football Team; and

WHEREAS, he is also an esteemed member of the High School Band; and

WHEREAS, Philip Barfield began his meritorious scouting career in 1994 and quickly ascended through the ranks to become an Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, his exemplary record of accomplishment as a Boy Scout includes 32 Merit Badges: the Tenderfoot Badge, 2nd Class Badge, 1st Class Badge, the Star Badge and the Life Badge; and

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WHEREAS, Philip Barfield is a brotherhood member of the distinguished Order of the Arrow; and

WHEREAS, an avid scuba diver, Philip is certified by the Professional Association of Diving Instructors as an advanced open water scuba diver; and

WHEREAS, Philip Barfield is an active and vibrant member of his community; he was awarded the "Kids Doing the Right Thing Award" by the Chattanooga Urban League; and

WHEREAS, Philip demonstrates his strong faith as an active and devout member of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, his Eagle Scout project, an underwater and shoreline clean-up of the Chickamauga Lake and beach, benefited his community and Tennessee and reflected the fine traditions of the Volunteer State; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it highly appropriate to recognize Philip Albert Barfield as one of the most outstanding young people in our state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Philip Albert Barfield on becoming an Eagle Scout and wish him every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.